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place they have been almost absent since last November. All of the burned centers of infection have been surrounded by high and tight board fences and trespassing on these places is forbidden by the Hawaiian authorities. Many of the people removed from the infected areas are still in the detention camps, although their period of quarantine has expired, as they are without employment and homeless.

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Fumigation and inspection of all vessels departing for the United States is still continued, and the precautions relative to the shipment of sugar, already reported, are still kept up. I hope to send, by the next mail, reports of cases in which the serum has been used. The quarantine at Hilo, Hawaii, and at Kahului, Maui, will not be raised until thirty days after the last case reported.

Respectfully,

D. A. CARMICHAEL,
Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Number of cases and deaths of bubonic plague which have occurred in Honolulu to date, February 28, 1900.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH,
Honolulu, H. I., February 28, 1900.

Chinese, died, 30; recovered, 2; total, 32. Japanese, died, 7; recovered, 4; total, 11. Hawaiians, died, 15; recovered, 1; total, 16. Whites, died, 3; recovered, 2; total, 5.

C. B. WOOD,
President Board of Health.

HONOLULU, H. I., *March 15, 1900,*
via San Francisco, Cal., March 22, 1900.

There have been 1 death from plague at Honolulu, 1 suspicious, none at Hilo or Kahului, prophylactic satisfactory.

CARMICHAEL.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

IRELAND.

Reports from Queenstown—Inquiry concerning mortality among dogs and rats.

QUEENSTOWN, IRELAND, *March 3, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to state that upon the receipt of Bureau letter (—— R. M. W.), of the 10th ultimo, directing that I should make inquiry regarding a special disease among dogs and rats in Queenstown or any other part of Great Britain, I addressed letters of inquiry to the other consular officers in Ireland. These officers are located at Athlone, Ballymena, Londonderry, Waterford, Limerick, Belfast, Lurgan, and Dublin. I have received answers from all these places except the last three named, and they, with one exception, state that there has not been any increased fatality among dogs and rats. The exception is a letter from the consular agent at Waterford. He states, "During the past few months there has been somewhat increased mortality among dogs." He does not give the cause. It may have been due to the unusual cold winter, or to the fact that the dogs have been poisoned in

the sheep-grazing fields. There has been no increased disease among dogs and rats at this place.

Should I receive any information of interest from Belfast, Lurgan, or Dublin later, I will inform you of it.

Respectfully,

J. H. OAKLEY,

Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

QUEENSTOWN, IRELAND, *March 10, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to report on the transactions at this port for the week ended to-day, as follows:

Date.	Vessels inspected.	Destination.	Passengers.			Crew.	Cargo.
			Saloon.	Second cabin.	Steerage.		
Mar. 4	Steamship Etruria	New York.....	2	24	122	2	0
Mar. 8	Steamship Oceanic.....do	5	32	287	0	0
	Total.....	7	56	409	2	0

Respectfully,

J. H. OAKLEY,

Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

ITALY.

Report from Genoa.

GENOA, ITALY, *March 5, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith abstract of bills of health and the regular report of transactions at this port for the week ended March 4, 1900:

February 28, steamship *Fürst Bismarck*, Hamburg-American Line, bound for New York, 28 cabin and 114 steerage passengers and 89 pieces of baggage were inspected and passed. March 3, steamship *Tartar Prince*, the Prince Line, bound for New York, 5 cabin and 54 steerage passengers and 48 pieces of baggage were inspected and passed.

From time to time a few cases of smallpox occur in northern Italy, having filtered through from Marseilles, France. But the people are well vaccinated, and as strict isolation of cases is maintained, there is no fear of a spread.

Respectfully,

RUPERT BLUE,

Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Reports from Naples.

NAPLES, ITALY, *February 28, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that for the week ended February 28, 1900, the following ships were inspected:

On February 23, the steamship *Werra*, of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company, bound with passengers and cargo for New York.